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# Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'xdg-open.1' command

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xdg-open Manual

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NAME

xdg-open - opens a file or URL in the user's preferred application

#### **SYNOPSIS**

xdg-open {file | URL}

xdg-open {--help | --manual | --version}

#### **DESCRIPTION**

xdg-open opens a file or URL in the user's preferred application. If a

URL is provided the URL will be opened in the user's preferred web

browser. If a file is provided the file will be opened in the preferred

application for files of that type. xdg-open supports file, ftp, http

and https URLs.

xdg-open is for use inside a desktop session only. It is not

recommended to use xdg-open as root.

## **OPTIONS**

--help

Show command synopsis.

--manual

Show this manual page.

--version

Show the xdg-utils version information.

### **EXIT CODES**

indicates failure. The following failure codes can be returned: 1 Error in command line syntax. 2 One of the files passed on the command line did not exist. 3 A required tool could not be found. 4 The action failed. SEE ALSO xdg-mime(1), xdg-settings(1), MIME applications associations specification[1] **EXAMPLES** xdg-open 'http://www.freedesktop.org/' Opens the freedesktop.org website in the user's default browser. xdg-open /tmp/foobar.png Opens the PNG image file /tmp/foobar.png in the user's default image viewing application. **AUTHORS** Kevin Krammer Author. Jeremy White Author. **COPYRIGHT** Copyright ? 2006 **NOTES** 1. MIME applications associations specification http://www.freedesktop.org/wiki/Specifications/mime-apps-spec/ xdg-utils 1.0 11/23/2021 XDG-OPEN(1)